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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Yusuke AMINO, et al.

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EXAMINER: Zucker, Paul A.

FOR: METHOD FOR PRODUCING ASPARTAME DERIVATIVE, METHOD FOR PURIFYING THE SAME, CRYSTALS THEREOF AND USES OF THE SAME

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

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This is a request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

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- Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on
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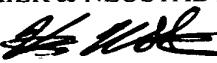
- Amendment and Request for Reconsideration
 Other: Ex parte Jones

Declaration of Professor Jerry Atwood w/attachments (Cited References (2); Appendix A and Appendix B)

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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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SIR:

In response to the Official Action dated March 25, 2003, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begins on page 2 of this response.

Support for the Amendment begins on page 4 of this response.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this response.

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